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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97(i), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of the listed documents is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in 1.97(d) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the grant of a patent. Applicant respectfully requests that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered or at least be placed in the file.

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Respectfully submitted,

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